DISCUSSION WITH OTHER CO-OPERATION BODIES (INVENTORY A AND B)

Riga Initiative

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Inventories :

- Baltic Sea region co-operation in different fields (except defence environmental co-operation)
- multilateral defence environmental co-operation outside the Baltic Sea region

Purpose

- to clarify already existing co-operation in the Baltic Sea region in different fields (except defence environmental co-operation) and defence environmental co-operation outside the Baltic Sea region
- to examine ways of BALTDEC co-operation with already existing structures, as well as to ensure there is no duplication of work

Co-operation in the Baltic Sea region (except defence environmental co-operation)

- Kiel Initiative
- BALTSEA
- HELCOM
- CBSS
- Baltic 21
- NORDAC

Defence environmental co-operation outside the Baltic Sea region

- DEFNET
- NATO CCMS
- NATO ETWG
- NATO EPWG
- OSCE

Work done by IS between the Vilnius and the Tallinn's meetings

Initiated discussions with other co-operation bodies in the Baltic Sea region and co-operation bodies dealing with defence environmental work outside the Baltic Sea region, in order to establish good working relations :

- presentations at the BALTSEA, DEFNET, NATO ETWG, NATO EPWG meetings
- presentations are planned at the next OSCE, NATO CCMS meetings
- letters to HELCOM, CBSS, Baltic 21, NORDAC

Conclusions

Regular contacts (liaison) with other co-operation bodies:

- ensure exchange of information
- help to avoid duplication of work
- provide necessary (additional) information for BALTDEC Basics
- other co-operation bodies can take advantage of the Riga Initiative and BALTDEC Basics

Riga Initiative participants should be proactive and establish contacts with and provide information to other co-operation bodies on a regular base.

Thank you for your attention!

Any questions?